

THE TRIBUNE HAS A LARGER BONA FIDE CIRCULATION AMONG SCRANTON BUSINESS MEN THAN ANY OTHER MORNING PAPER

BOYS IN BLUE AT PITTSBURGH

National G. A. R. Encampment Still in Session.

THE RANKS ARE DIMINISHING

Henry Waterson Makes an Eloquent Address Before the Veterans. Louisville Selected as the Location of the Next Encampment—Scenes and Incidents of the Great Gathering of Heroes of the War of the Rebellion.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 12.

WEDNESDAY was designated in the official programme of the citizens' executive committee as "Banner Day" of Grand Army week. What with the reunions of no less than eighty-seven army corps, the opening of the encampment and of the conventions of the Woman's Relief corps, the ladies of the Grand Army and kindred organizations, and the parade of the ex-prisoners of war, the designation proved anything but a misnomer. Tonight the delegates and prominent visitors to the encampment to the number of 5,000 or more are participating as guests of the local committee in one of the most elaborate of social functions in the history of the state.

The delegates to the national encampment beat the record today. They started out to transact a maximum of business in a minimum of time, and they well succeeded. Just as soon as the welcoming exercises had been disposed of, and after the doors were closed upon the non-veterans, Henry Waterson was introduced to present the plea of Louisville for the next encampment. The silver-tongued orator of the "star-eyed goddess" was in his best mood. Among his hearers, from pit to gallery, laughter alternated with applause, and when, in a pathetic moment, he allowed a few tears to course down his cheeks, the tears were paid for by a response that would have been appropriate to a funeral. Before his peroration had been reached the success of the leading city of the Bluegrass state was assured, and the orator retired amid such an ovation as a national encampment has rarely bestowed even upon one of its favorite sons.

Close attention was paid by the delegates to the report of the commander-in-chief, and the frequent reference that it contained to the attitude of the army and of the people of the United States toward the veterans, and the movements of the national encampment, were heartily appreciated. The semi-annual session of the committee on pension, authorized by the act of Congress, and consequently failed to evoke any demonstration. When the report of the committee on pension was read, however, cheers poured from every throat. It was signed by Gen. H. E. Tabor, A. M. Warner, A. J. N. Walker, chairman, and read as follows:

Your committee would respectfully reiterate the sentiments and renew the recommendations touching the rights of the veteran and the duties of the government toward him, embodied in our report submitted to the twentieth national encampment.

After the adoption of that report by the national encampment there was a change in the action of the pension department in its rule for suspension of the payment without hearing, and many of those whose pension had been suspended under that unfair rule have been restored to the rolls. Your committee is gratified to see that there is still just cause for complaint in technical rulings and requirements of the pension department which work unequally upon the applicant and result in unjust discrimination against his interests, that doubts are unjustly decided adversely to the claimant, which under any reasonable liberal construction should have been decided in his favor.

Order No. 229 of the department of the interior bureau of pensions issued June 10, 1893, is especially objectionable as establishing needless and unnecessary requirements in the preparation and forwarding of testimony in support of claims.

We insist that evidence very often procured after years of effort and at great expense of time and money on the part of the applicant should not be thrown out for mere lack of form or want of compliance with any purely technical or arbitrary rules, and we urge that this order be modified so as to provide that all evidence presented be fairly examined.

Your committee feels constrained to call the attention of the national encampment to the fact that a large part of the appropriation made by the fifty-second congress for the payment of pensions for the year ending June 30, 1894, was unused and turned back into the treasury, while hundreds of thousands of unadjudicated claims remained pending in the pension bureau.

At the same time credit is claimed on behalf of congress and the administration upon the grounds that the aggregate appropriations have been reduced, yet it appears the entire reduction made has been effected by cutting down the appropriation for pensions, so that union veterans alone feel the effects of this spirit of economy.

It is a significant fact that while a period of seventeen years elapsed between the ending of our war with Mexico and the close of the war of the Union, yet the amount now expended for the pensioning of the soldiers of the Mexican war is increasing, while the amount expended for pensions to Union veterans is diminishing.

We feel compelled to say that there is evidently in the past of both the administrative and legislative departments a feeling of hostility to our worthy and suffering comrades, the wards of the nation who bore the heat and burden of battle—a feeling which certainly should not exist in a country saved by their devotion.

While the Grand Army of the Republic is pledged to purity in public affairs, and will, therefore, sympathize and co-operate with any and all proper efforts to economize, to the extent that all public burdens may be reduced to the minimum, we view with extreme regret that false economy which shames and paralyzes the efforts of honest and patriotic patriots.

We insist upon an honest, patriotic construction and administration of existing pension laws, and that every just claim shall be speedily settled so that whatever is found due shall be paid without any applicant is alive to receive it.

We are confident that the loyal sentiments of the country will consider a policy that attempts to recuperate the public treasury at the expense largely of

the slender purses of our disabled heroes, widows and orphans.

The adoption of the report was moved and seconded by a dozen voices from the body of the house. Commander Adams waited a moment as though in expectation of a speech either in support or dissent. Not a delegate arose. The motion was put and the report was adopted with a deafening applause.

A group of business men resorted to the location of the next encampment and the invitation of St. Paul was presented in eloquent addresses by ex-Commander-in-Chief Judge John P. Rea and Colonel J. H. Davidson. But an overwhelming majority of the delegates were still under the spell of the star-eyed goddess, and her "old Kentucky home," and when the question was put, the viva voce vote in favor of Louisville was so overwhelming that opposition, instead of demanding a call of the roll, bowed acquiescence and gracefully retired from the field. Upon the call of departments nominations for grand commander in chief Colonel Ivan N. Walker, of Indiana, and Colonel Thomas G. Lawler, of Illinois, were named in eulogistic speeches. The election was made a special order for noon of Thursday and the encampment adjourned.

Eight hundred delegates and visitors participated in the opening reception of the twelfth annual convention of the Woman's Relief corps, which were held in the Fourth Baptist church.

OLD DEFENDERS DAY.

Baltimore Celebrates the First General Holiday in Good Style.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 12.—"Old Defenders Day" was celebrated in Baltimore today by a general holiday, and by the celebration of appropriate character. All the banks, the United States sub-treasury, the custom house, the stock exchange, the courts and flour exchange, all municipal offices and other public places were closed today.

It was the first general holiday proclaimed in Maryland on September 12, and will be remembered as a day of unprecedented celebration and patriotism. Just eighty years ago the battle of North Point was fought. Today a great throng of soldiers and citizens were gathered at Fort McHenry to hear how their forefathers drove back the British aggression. The old fort resounded with the strains of Francis Scott's "Key-note" "Star Spangled Banner" inspired by the fort's defense, while over the rampart waved old glory.

A parade of military and historical societies through the streets of Baltimore was followed by a programme of exercises at the fort, in charge of the Society of the War of 1812.

THE LAST ROLL CALL.

Veteran Alfred Appel Drops Dead at Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 12.—Alfred Appel, a sergeant in the 33rd, of Meadville, and quartermaster of the Eighteenth regiment, army on Diamond street, dropped dead at 6 o'clock this morning. Appel was about 55 years old and was seemingly in the best of health when he retired last night about 10 o'clock.

He was out in the parade yesterday and when he rose at 5 a. m. expressed himself as being in excellent health and would like to take the same march again. Later he lighted a pipe while waiting for some of his comrades to finish their morning toilet when he fell forward and expired before his old friends reached his side. Heart failure is the supposed cause of his demise. Appel lived in New York.

FALL OF A TENT POLE.

A Child Killed and a Woman Severely Injured.

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, Sept. 12.—While the canvas men of John Robinson's circus were hoisting the canvas at McConnellville this morning one of the centre poles fell.

The pole was holding her 11-months old babe, was standing near, watching the canvasmen putting up the tent, was caught under the pole. The babe was killed and the mother severely injured.

UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLAGE.

Verdict Against the Connellville Coke Pioneers.

UNIONTOWN, Sept. 12.—The case against Postmaster Harry Marietta and others, of Connellville, was given to the jury at 9 o'clock last night and no verdict was reached until 11 o'clock today.

They were all convicted of unlawful assemblage in connection with the coke region riots.

OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH.

Bad water has caused an epidemic of typhoid fever at Potterville.

G. W. Wilson has been appointed postmaster at Millbank, vice S. R. Grace, removed.

United States Pension Agent W. B. Stone was arrested at Harrisburg for taking excessive fees.

George W. Mortimer is soon to establish and edit the Lehigh and Weisport Evening Journal.

The Tri-Weekly Record, edited by John W. Parker, in Mahanoy City, has been changed a daily.

For fishing with eleven other men on his own farm, in Clay township, Lancaster county, Isaac Eberly was arrested. They had seized five bushels of fish at a haul.

St. Clair's Borough council has granted rights of way in the Potville Traction company's trolley line. The line will extend over Broad Mountain to Gilberton.

BRIEF WIRE TICKS.

The grand council of Red Men is in session at Birmingham, N. Y.

Illinois women demand legal right to vote for trustees of the State university.

Taylor, from hanging by a neighbor, J. L. Taylor, at Ackley, Ind., says his wife tried to kill him, but she denies it.

Omaha railroad employees think they have a secret backlist worked up by all roads, by means of water-marks.

In a dispute over a cow, John Ulrich, a Langley (Ill.) miner, fatally shot City Marshal Donaldson, and wounded M. E. Tobias.

Ass-climates of N. C. Creede, after whom the great silver mining camp was named, have bought his interest for a large amount.

NEWS FROM THE FOREIGN LANDS

Influence of the Czar of Russia for Peace in Europe.

A FEW KOREAN WAR CHESTNUTS

The Pigtails and the Minions of the Mikado Are Still Making Faces at Each Other—France Threatens Madagascar—The Situation in Samoa—Hostilities May Be Resumed in the Near Future—Other Eastern Topics.

BERLIN, Sept. 12.

THE Russian minister of finance, is according to representatives of the German and Austrian press at Abkhazia, are causing a sensation in Europe. The utterances of the Russian minister are regarded as a hopeful sign of peace. In the latest interview published M. Witte declared that it was never Russia's intention to transform Bulgaria into a Russian province and he dwelt upon the pacific intentions of the czar, saying:

"During the past six years the danger of war has frequently arisen, but the czar's will alone maintained peace. During these years he has not delivered a single speech or made a single remark which alluded in any way to the possibility of war. On the other hand, the bellicose speeches of other monarchs must be remembered. How often has Russia heard warlike threats! But the czar never answered. He is his own master and his will is absolute. He has to reckon with no parliament. But never since 1870 has peace been so secure and the European situation so reassuring as at present. I see no possible danger of complications."

Referring to the past troubles between Russia and Turkey, M. Witte said that the different campaigns against Turkey were brought about by the necessity that Russia should secure a free passage through the Dardanelles, not only for Russian vessels, but for the vessels of all nations. He said that since the conclusion of the German-Russian commercial treaty, the situation of affairs in Russia had materially improved and peace was finally consolidated.

WAR IN YELLOW LAND.

The Chinese Army Fortified at Bing Chong, With Korean Allies.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Files of the Japan Advertiser and the Kobe Japan Herald have been received here by way of Victoria, and bring news of the war in the Yellow Land.

After the battles of Ason and Zikwan many of the defeated Chinese made their way to Bing Chong, where a part of the army was posted. There is now a large force there, as Chinese troops numbering about 10,000 have arrived from Anjan. The Chinese ordered the governor to supply rice for the use of the army. Two thousand Chinese troops have also arrived at Hosen Chin, on the banks of the Tai Dong river, and have started to build a fort to defend the position. They are collecting rice and other provisions in the neighborhood. A Japanese general says that the battle which will take place soon at Bing Chong will be of important bearing on the ultimate outcome of the war in Korea.

According to the correspondent of the Japan Advertiser there are now in Korea 34,000 troops. Of this number 800 are cavalry. The Chinese army numbers about the same, the main body being camped at Ping Yang, where formidable earthworks have been thrown up. This will be the Chinese base of operations in Korea. Besides the Chinese, the same correspondent asserts, that there are 20,000 Koreans arrayed against the Japanese, but as most of these are poorly armed or unarmed, they do not constitute a formidable force. When they joined the Chinese army, they were supplied by the latter with rifles, as it was intended that they greatly strengthen the Celestials.

France and Madagascar.

PARIS, Sept. 12.—M. Le Myre de Vilers, who was the French special envoy to Siam during the recent troubles with that country, has been dispatched on a mission to Antananarivo, the capital of Madagascar, to present the French demands upon the Malagasy government.

The Coardec says that the mission means an effective protectorate over Madagascar, which, up to the present time, has been nominal. The protectorate will include the establishment of French military stations wherever desired, the installation of a French representative who will treat exclusively questions of foreign policy with the powers, and other drastic measures.

The Situation in Samoa.

AUCKLAND, N. Z., Sept. 12.—Advices received here today from Samoa, dated Sept. 6, confirmed the dispatches already received saying that the British warship Curacoa and the German war vessel Buzzard some time ago threatened to bombard Aana, and that thereupon the rebel chiefs went on board the Curacoa, submitted to Chief Malietoa and gave up 100 guns. While the war is declared to be over for the present, fears are expressed that hostilities will be renewed in a few months.

Office for Thomas Sexton.

DUBLIN, Sept. 12.—The Independent today says that Mr. Thomas Sexton, the anti-Parnellite member of parliament for North Kerry, has accepted the office of resident commissioner of the board of education. According to the Independent this is a fresh element of disturbance in the Irish party.

RETURN OF PILGRIMS.

An Enjoyable Journey to Rome and Lourdes.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—The steamship Rhineclaud, from Antwerp, arrived

in port this morning. She had on board the thirty-six pilgrims who sailed on July 18 last for a visit to Rome and Lourdes. Rev. A. H. Gerhard, of St. Paul, who was one of the party, stated that the whole trip had been most enjoyable. They first went to Rome, where they had a reception with the pope, who said mass with the pilgrims. They then proceeded to Lourdes, where they formed in procession and marched to the shrine of the Holy Virgin. Bishop Kneass, of Washington university, delivered a sermon and a handsome banner was left in the church there as a souvenir of the visit.

Each priest in the party was allowed to say mass at the famous grotto.

MODERN FAIRY TALE.

Elizabeth Sage, a Poor Orphan, Finds Wealthy Relatives.

CAMDEN, N. J., Sept. 12.—Twelve-year old Elizabeth K. Sage, of Gloucester, who for the past two months has been a protegee of Surrogate George S. West, of Camden, sailed today on the steamer Friesland from New York to join wealthy relatives in Belgium. The latter, sent a generous sum to defray her expenses. She will be met at Antwerp by her aunt, the Countess La Sage.

The father of Elizabeth K. Sage, left Belgium a number of years ago on account of family trouble and settled in Gloucester, after being married to a Camden woman. Two years ago after the birth of Elizabeth, the wife died and three months ago the father expired. Friends of the father took an interest in her case and appealed to the orphan's court in her behalf. Judge Vroom appointed Surrogate West as her guardian and the latter learned that his charge had very wealthy relatives in Brussels. Through the Belgian minister and the American consul it was found that the child was the niece of Madame La Sage Karlsen.

Miss La Sage has been attending a Catholic school at New Brunswick, N. J., for some time, and as her aunt has no children she will become her heir. During all the time that the father was in this country he concealed the identity of his wealthy relatives, although he was comparatively poor.

BLOCKS BLOWN UP.

Terrible Natural Gas Explosion in Indiana.

ANDERSON, Ind., Sept. 12.—A terrible natural gas explosion occurred at Alexandria, near here, this morning. The Free and Calloway blocks were completely wrecked and the family which lived in the block was buried in the debris. They were rescued, but E. L. Demola and his sister were fatally hurt. The Western Union telegraph office, the United States Express office, a hardware store and Free & Calloway's bank were completely destroyed. The loss is \$18,000.

EXPLOSION OCCURRED IN THE BASEMENT OF THE FREE AND CALLOWAY BLOCK.

E. L. Demola, who is the owner of the block, was severely injured. He was blown down into the air and came down beneath the ruins. Both he and his sister, who is fearfully burned, will die.

Windows in the vicinity were broken and there were many narrow escapes. Fire broke out in the debris but was quickly got under control.

BUCKLE UP BOBS UP.

An Old Democratic Warhorse Nominated for Congress.

DAWVILLE, Pa., Sept. 12.—The deadlock in which the Democratic conference of the Seventeenth congressional district have been involved for several days, was broken today and Hon. Charles R. Bucklew, of Columbia county, one of the most prominent Democrats in the state, was nominated for congress.

The vote was, Bucklew, 6; Steck, 2.

AN OBSCURIOUS PORTRAIT.

Cleveland's Picture Tied Down by Friends of the Vets.

BRADDOCK, Pa., Sept. 12.—Yesterday members of the Harper Grand Army of the Republic post, No. 181, refused to march under a picture of Grover Cleveland suspended from a street ar.

Angry citizens, friends of the veterans, tore down the portrait before the committee could interfere.

POLICEMEN FOR THE PARK.

Common Council Will Consider the Matter Tonight.

The proposition to further increase the membership of the city's police department will be taken up at tonight's meeting of common council. A communication on the matter from the mayor will probably be considered.

Mayor Connell's letter after the acquisition of the Nay Aug Park land as an imperative reason for the increase and says that for this plot it is impossible to draw from the ten men of the force doing day duty. There is an appropriation in excess of the department's expenses for the next four months sufficient to engage two new patrolmen and the mayor recommends that this be done.

The fact that boys bathe in the stream, that the visitors at the park are increasing and it is a favorite spot for suicides are mentioned as some of the reasons for the patrolmen.

FRESH FOREIGN FACTS.

The provincial elections in Spain resulted in a government victory.

The Dutch artillery has destroyed three towns on the island of Lombok.

General Booth, the Salvation army commander, left Liverpool for America.

Hundreds viewed the body of the Comte de Paris, lying in state in his London residence.

In opening the congress of associated chambers of commerce, Sir Albert K. Rolit predicted a trade revival.

On the charge of trying to shoot his mistress, Sidney A. Bennett, an American lawyer, was held in \$10,000 bail at London.

Colonel Jacques, the representative of Lawrence, the American claimant to the Twentieth century, was arrested at London and remanded to await further evidence from America.

As the result of English and American interference, Turkey has released the 170 Americans sentenced by the Tuzlat court, and will reopen the cases of those condemned to death.

THE INSOLENCE OF NICARAGUA

New Laws Designed to Rob and Oppress American Residents.

THE TENURE OF LAND IMPAIRED

Trading Vessels Carrying Our Flag to Be Blackmailed—Onerous Taxation Imposed—Bluefields to Be Transformed Into a Satrapy for the Purpose of Systematic Extortion.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 12.

DISPATCHES from Bluefields, under date of Sept. 4, say that pending the general elections to be held in the three divisions of the Mosquito Territory on Sept. 8 everything was quiet and in a fair way to a resumption of the general prosperity existing before the trouble. In order to find a job for General Cabezas, who, with Commissioner Madriz, has been in control of the revenues, he has been made collector of customs for the Port of Coetillo, but his office will be in Graytown.

There are several novel articles in the set of laws which have been promulgated by Cabezas and Madriz. The right of suffrage has a property qualification to it to the amount of \$500. Another article binds a man elected to office to serve his full term or suffer a fine of \$50 a day during his absence from duty.

The land will be divided into "manzanas," and the manzanas will be leased for five years only; thus when the property is made valuable by cultivation the lease will expire, and the government will, doubtless, refuse to re-lease the property and will take it and its improvements to swell the purse of some official, or some person to whom the government is under obligations. The other conditions concerning the lease of land will be regulated by the municipal authorities, but again these regulations will have to be submitted to the Nicaraguan representative, and another avenue for a ruinous tax opened.

FOREIGN FLAGS EXCLUDED.

The municipal administration of other towns and villages will be exercised by a magistrate elected by the inhabitants, and by this official will be established all measures tending to the order, progress and advancement of the town. Besides these municipal laws Cabezas and Madriz have changed to a great extent the laws governing navigation and trading along the coast. After some consideration they decided that no boat flying a foreign flag should be allowed to trade within the waters of Nicaragua.

It is a fact that there are no boats trading in the Mosquito river which do fly the Nicaraguan flag, and they wish to force all American and Colombian vessels to register under the Nicaraguan colors before they will allow them to conduct business in which they have been interested for twenty-five years. The only object that can be seen for such a law is that the American owners with their vessels flying the Nicaraguan flag will have no appeal to their own government in case of an outrage.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN MEET.

Final Arrangements Made for Their Picnic on Sept. 25.

The regular monthly meeting of the Volunteer Firemen's Mutual Beneficial association was held last night at the rooms in Durr's hotel. John R. Kime, the regular chairman, has been appointed permanent man at the Franklin engine house, and necessarily he was not able to devote the time and attention to the office of president of the association which he felt was due to it. His resignation was read and accepted and T. F. Noone, of the Excelsior Hose company, unanimously elected to fill out the unexpired term.

The association decided to parade with the fire department on Firemen's day, Sept. 25, and to bring out the old Nature's hand engine on the occasion.

The picnic committee, consisting of Joseph Stewart, M. H. Bieseker, F. W. Zitzman, P. J. Hickey, A. E. Vorheis, August Schimpf, T. F. Noone, C. Raynor and Chief Engineer H. F. Ferber, made a report. The association concurred in its action in selecting parade day as the date of the picnic, which will be held at Central Park garden. An effort will be made to have as a special feature of the picnic an address by ex-Alderman C. W. Roemer on the hand engine and a resume of the primitive days of the department.

BURNS-CARYL WEDDINGS.

Ceremony Performed at the Home of the Bride's Parents.

Miss May Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Burns, was married yesterday to Ernest Caryl, of Forest City, at the home of the bride in Green Ridge. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. G. Logan, D. D., and was witnessed only by the members of the two families.

Mr. and Mrs. Caryl left for New York at 1 o'clock and will enjoy a trip along the Hudson, to Niagara and along to St. Lawrence before their return to the bride's home in Green Ridge. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. G. Logan, D. D., and was witnessed only by the members of the two families.

Mr. Caryl is a son of Josiah Caryl, superintendent of the Erie company at Forest City, and is an inspector for the company through this valley.

A TEXAS STEER.

Enjoyed by a Large Audience at the Academy of Music.

A large audience enjoyed Hoy's "A Texas Steer," which was produced at the Academy of Music last evening. It is a satire on official life in Washington in which shafts of irony at the existing order of things at the national capital are mixed up with ludicrous situations.

George Woodward, who last night

assayed the character of Maverick Brander, did not shine in that role with the same brilliancy as did Tim Murphy who interpreted it in this city last season, but nevertheless proved himself a clever actor.

Miss Bettina Girard created a favorable impression as Brander's daughter. Only a few members of the present company were in the cast when "A Texas Steer" was last seen in this city. The present company is composed of capable people who give the piece a fine interpretation.

FOOT BALL ARTISTS ALL.

Twenty-two Young Men Want a Chance to Kick for Scranton.

Twenty-two long haired young men who are anxious to secure positions on the Scranton Foot Ball club were hard at work practicing at the ball park yesterday afternoon prior to the calling of the league game of base ball. Harry Decker, of the West Side, has been chosen temporary captain.

Today a team will be picked from the twenty-two and lined up against the St. Thomas college club. A schedule is being prepared, which will include games with some of the best college clubs in the country.

From the twenty-two young men now practicing a team and several substitutes will be selected.

FRABLE NOT PRESENT

He Said It Would Not Have Altered Matters Even Had He Appeared Before the Committee.

The joint special committee of councils which met last night to investigate the charges made by George Frable against South Side councilmen, adjourned without hearing any evidence on the matter and will so report to councils. Mr. Frable, who was requested to be present, did not attend and it has developed that the committee has no right to compel the attendance of any witness.

After the meeting a TRIBUNE reporter saw Mr. Frable at his place of business, 233 Stone avenue. He was not inclined to talk for publication, but after considerable questioning said:

"The result of tonight's meeting would not have been altered by my presence. The spirit of my remarks about councilmen at the South Side board of trade meeting was correctly reported, but in detail they were incorrect."

When asked to make an explicit statement through THE TRIBUNE, Mr. Frable, decidedly refused, but some information was obtained as follows after considerable persuasion:

"It is a fact that there exists a possibility of entering fictitious names on street work payrolls without the act being known; it is a fact that alleged assignments for small amounts have been made to councilmen, and it necessarily follows that it is possible for these men to receive as large amounts as \$500. It is also true that \$500 has been paid for picking tin cans and cobble stones from eight blocks of one street, which no sane man will admit is reasonable. Now, I know these things to be true, and I think the system is loose and should be changed. I don't accuse any councilman of crookedness, but I do say there is too much opportunity for it."

Mr. Frable said he would be present at tomorrow night's meeting of the South Side board of trade and would "be heard from then," to use his words.

JENKINS NOT SATISFIED.

Wants Additional Advertising and Will Be an Independent.

"I am an independent candidate for the office of sheriff," declared William T. Jenkins, the Lackawanna avenue hotel keeper, to a TRIBUNE reporter last night. "The late R. B. Jenkins, Jr., convention did not suit me and I am in the field for sheriff."

Mr. Jenkins announced himself as a candidate for sheriff some time before the late Republican convention, but his name did not come before that body.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

The grand jury will not present a report to court until Friday.

Court yesterday granted naturalization papers to James Williamson.

The clerks in the commissioners' office are busy making up the September additions to the tax duplicates.

The hotel license of Joseph Koinexin, of Winston, was, by order of the court yesterday, transferred to Michael Dano.

County Commissioners L. W. Roberts, Giles Roberts and John Downing, and County Surveyor A. B. Dunning, Jr., went to Greenfield township yesterday and inspected a new stone arch over Bardick's creek.

The report of George L. Peck, auditor appointed to distribute the funds arising from the sheriff's sale of the personal property of Walter D. Frank and Frank Lewis was confirmed finally by the court yesterday.

Clerk of the Courts John H. Thomas yesterday granted marriage licenses to William W. Williams, of Daryen, and Sarah A. Hughes, of Lackawanna; Martin Rogers and Mary Geritz, of this city; Charles T. Lee and Lena Yarns, of Jermyn; Robert Hudson and Martha Allen, of Wilkes-Barre.

Four actions in assumpsit were yesterday begun in the office of Prothonotary Pryor by Attorney S. B. Price, acting for Mrs. Christina R. Lindsay, of Fell township. Three of the cases are brought to recover insurance on a coal breaker and one to recover on a frame dwelling house, the property of the plaintiff. The aggregate amount of insurance is \$5,500. The property was situated in Fell township, and was destroyed by fire. The property was insured with the Germania American Fire Insurance company of New York for \$1,500; with the Phoenix Assurance company, of London, England, for \$1,000; with the Orient Insurance company, of Hartford, Conn., for \$1,500, and with the Home Insurance company, of New York for \$1,500.

WEATHER FORECAST.

RAIN. WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—For eastern Pennsylvania, showers, easterly winds. For western Pennsylvania, generally fair, probably slightly warmer, south to southeast winds.

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